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Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In the above-mentioned PCT application, please accept the enclosed application under the national stage pursuant to 35 USC § 371 and amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please replace claims 1-6 of the application with claims 1-20 as follows:

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1. An electrical connector for mounting on a printed circuit board, comprising a multiplicity of electrical terminal members to be connected to said circuit board and being in the form of a matrix including a plurality of rows and columns each, wherein several terminal member groups, each comprising several terminal members in the form of SMT contacts to be soldered to the circuit board, are fixed in a predetermined relative position independently of each other by plastic bodies of their own that are injection-molded thereto, several plastic bodies along with the terminal member groups extending through the same are adapted to be fixed in predetermined relative positions, and the plastic bodies fixed in a predetermined relative position, along with the terminal member groups extending through the same, are movable perpendicularly to the circuit board surface independently of each other.